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Missouri will have a big homecoming football game each fall for several years, with either Kansas or Nebraska. This is the result of a permanent triangular arrangement of football schedules made among the three schools at the meeting of the officials of the Missouri Valley Conference at Manhattan, Kan., last week. C. L. Brewer, director of athletics, said this morning that he thought this was probably the most important accomplishment of the meetings, at least, as far as these three schools are concerned.

"The arrangement is similar to that among Harvard, Yale and Princeton, and although it will work a hardship on us next fall, by the following year our schedule will be adjusted more evenly," said Mr. Brewer. "On odd years, beginning with the 1917 season, Missouri will play Nebraska at Lincoln. On the following Saturday, Nebraska will play Kansas at Lawrence, and on Thanksgiving Day Kansas will play Missouri at Columbia. This gives each team a homecoming game each year. The games will be played on the last three dates of the season."

On even years, beginning with the 1918 season, Nebraska will play Missouri at Columbia and Kansas at Lincoln, and Missouri will play Kansas at Lawrence. This schedule is arranged for several years and, to get it, the schools had to adopt it for next season.

Fourteen Representatives Attend a Busy Meeting.

The meeting last week was one of the busiest that has been held for several years. Fourteen official representatives from the Conference schools were present and the basketball, track and baseball schedules for the schools were completed. The football schedules were begun.

The incomplete football schedule for Missouri is as follows: October 20, Ames at Ames; November 3, Oklahoma at Columbia; November 10, Nebraska at Lincoln; November 17, Washington at St. Louis; November 29, Kansas at Columbia.

In baseball, Missouri will play the Kansas Aggies, April 9-10 at Manhattan; April 13-14, Ames at Columbia; April 20-21, Nebraska at Columbia; April 27-28, Ames at Ames; May 2-3, Kansas Aggies at Columbia; May 10-11, Kansas at Lawrence; May 12-14, Nebraska at Lincoln; May 18-19, Kansas at Columbia; May 22, Leland Stanford University at Columbia.

When Nebraska plays baseball here next spring, it will be for the first time since 1909. And when Missouri plays basketball at Lincoln, February 9-10, it will be the first time that the two schools have met in this sport since 1911. That year, Nebraska played here, and those who saw the game remember how hard fought it was. The teams were tied when the final whistle blew and they played an extra session of five minutes. Still they were tied, and it was not until a second five minutes of play that Nebraska broke the tie and won the game, 39 to 28.

Fourteen Games Planned For Basketball Tigers.

The basketball schedule includes fourteen games for Missouri, four each with Kansas and Washington and two each with Ames, Nebraska and the Kansas Aggies, alternating each year on the various courts. The dates are: January 12-13, Ames at Columbia; January 19-20, Washington at Columbia; February 6-7, Kansas at Lawrence; February 9-10, Nebraska at Lincoln; February 21-22, Kansas at Columbia; March 5-6, Kansas Aggies at Columbia; March 9-10, Washington at St. Louis.

In track, there are the Drake Relay Games, April 21, at Drake; April 28, Pennsylvania Relay Games at Philadelphia; May 5, Ames at Columbia; May 12, Kansas at Lawrence; May 26, Missouri Valley Conference Meet at Ames; June 2, Western Conference Meet at Chicago.

The matter of adopting the javelin throw in Conference track meets was held up by the officials at the meeting until it is certain that this event becomes standard in other Conference meets.

Valley Conference Meet Will Be Held at Ames.

The Missouri Valley Conference Meet will be held at Ames May 26. It was decided at the meeting, that the preliminaries in the 440-yard dash should be run Friday afternoon, preceding the meet Saturday. All other preliminaries will be held on Saturday afternoon, which conforms to the plan adopted here last spring and to the rules of the Western Conference. All details of the meet were left for the Ames management to arrange.

A permanent arrangement for scoring tennis teams was also adopted. Hereafter, tennis teams will be limited to four men from each school, and points will be awarded to winners, so that the contestants winning the greatest number of points will be awarded first place. This tends to lay stress on the ability of the team

rather than on the individual star, according to Mr. Brewer.

An invitation issued by Drake University to the other schools of the conference to hold a golf tournament there the day before the Drake Relay Games was informally accepted by the members of the Conference. Mr. Brewer said that this was an indication that golf might some day be added as a minor sport in the Missouri Valley Conference.

The basketball schedule was set back to December 15. Previously, no Conference school could play basketball until January 1. By this new arrangement, it will be possible for the teams to play a few practice games before starting the Conference schedule. Mr. Brewer said that this would not affect this year's schedule, but would probably be adopted next year.

The conference also voted to add gymnastics and wrestling tournaments to the list of minor sports. A committee was appointed to draw up rules to choose events and to recommend dates for the first tournament. It is too late this year, to hold a tournament, but there should be one in 1918, according to Mr. Brewer. It will be one of the winter sports.

The officials voted against extending the baseball schedule to twenty games, instead of eighteen, the present number. They also voted against allowing freshmen to compete with freshmen of other Conference schools. Mr. Brewer said that the representatives thought it was not time yet for the adoption of a rule favoring freshman competition.

It was also decided that hereafter all trophies awarded in Conference competitive meets should be paid for by seven schools, but that team expenses should be prorated among only those schools that were represented in meets.

Mr. Brewer said that a great deal of routine business was attended to.

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He said that the representatives from all the schools were enthusiastic over the success of the 1916 football season. This was due, he said, to the uncertainty of the race for Valley honors. The nearly equal strength of five teams, Missouri, Ames, Kansas, the Kansas Aggies and Nebraska, made the season a success both in interest shown by the schools and in a financial way.

The home economics department of the Kansas State Agricultural College at Manhattan entertained the visiting delegates at a luncheon, and the athletic committee of the college gave a dinner for them. About twenty were present at the meeting, including representatives from state colleges in Kansas.

Kansas City Star's All Mo-Valley Teams.

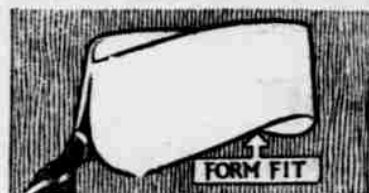
Missouri was given three places on the All-Missouri Valley eleven chosen by C. E. McBride, sporting editor of the Kansas City Star, after he had received the written opinions of at least one member of the coaching staff of each team in the conference. Groves, tackle, was moved to a guard position of the mythical team. Preston was given the other guard position and Stankowski is quarter back.

Preston is named as the "star guard of the valley" by the writer in Sunday's Kansas City Star. A majority of the coaches approved Stankowski's play but an odd feature of the written selections is the fact that only one picked the Tiger quarter for the first team.

Here is the personnel of the team that will appear in next year's football guide as the official all-valley conference team and also the second and third choice teams:

FIRST.

Center—Sprong, Drake.
Guards—Preston, Missouri; Groves, Missouri.
Tackles—Shaw, Nebraska; Corey, Nebraska, captain.
Ends—Packer, Ames; Randels, Kansas Aggies.



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Quarterback—Stankowski, Missouri.
Halfbacks—Lindsey, Kansas; Aldridge, Ames.
Fullback—Wells, Kansas Aggies.
SECOND.
Center—Cameron, Nebraska.
Guards—Bayer, Kansas Aggies; Wilder, Nebraska.
Tackles—Denfield, Ames; Burton, Kansas.
Ends—Riddell, Nebraska; Giltner, Missouri.
Quarterback—Caley, Nebraska.
Halfbacks—Fast, Kansas; Cook, Nebraska.
Fullback—Smith, Drake, captain.
THIRD.
Center—Lansing, Missouri.
Guards—Erskine, Ames; Placek, Kansas Aggies.
Tackles—Hamilton, Missouri; Busiek, Washington.
Ends—Skinner, Kansas Aggies; Jones, Ames.
Quarterback—Sloan, Ames.
Halfbacks—Davis, Ames; Collins, Missouri.
Fullback—Rider, Missouri.

Nebraska Schedules Four Big Games.

Guy E. Reed, athletic manager of the University of Nebraska, announces that the four big football games of Nebraska scheduled had already been arranged. They comprise games with Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Notre Dame, as follows: October 13, Iowa at Lincoln; November 10, Missouri at

Lincoln; November 17, Kansas at Lawrence; Thanksgiving Day, Notre Dame at Lincoln. There will be at least two and possibly three more games. The athletic board believes it will yet be possible to reach terms with Ames of Iowa and perhaps with the Kansas Aggies of Manhattan.

Coach Doble Quits University of Washington.

Gilmour Doble, coach of the University of Washington football team, undefeated in eight years, will not re-

turn to coach the team next season, according to an announcement by President Henry Suzzaloo, says a dispatch from Seattle. President Suzzaloo said the chief function of the university was to train character and that Doble had failed to perform his full share of the work. Doble was blamed by the faculty for not having prevented the strike of members of the football squad prior to the Thanksgiving Day game with the University

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